Dear Jim, Paul and Ron,

5/15/75

I was tired last night but felt I had to stay up to write the enclosed to Paul so he might better understand what because of the distance between us he has no way of knowing. I remain tired this morning and could not sleep. So, I was not as sharp as I should have been when I write this letter to Marion Johnson and I did not make enough copies.

Meanwhile, 3M has after all these months replenished my paper - with the wrong paper so I still can't make copies!

So Paul and Ron can understand why I'm giving them carbons of this and you can understand why I'm asking you to make copies for them and those I'll enumerate for me, I give each a carbon of this now, to inform them until they receive copies.

From my reading of the Nosenko documents there newer was reason for any classification, never any for withholding, even less for the classification of the staff paper "Top Secret."

There simply has to be more, particularly from the CIA, which is not represented in this at all.

With the basic dispute between what these documents and the Warren Report say, there of course is significance.

There have been all these regular reviews and declassifications yet these papers were never released. Thus I also asked why and how they were now.

There are two apparent declassification coincidences. They may not be relevant but I note them.

The first, of the FBI papers, coincidence roughly with the appearance of the Jones Harris fakery with the New York Times in which it was pretended that Earl Warren withheld from his staff Hoover's apprehension about an Oswald ~~Imp~~ imposter in Russia whereas all the papers were freely available in the files. The FBI's part of these Nosenko papers thus could be used for FBI purposes.

The staff memo was not declassified until 5/7/75. This is two days before the Dan Schorr CBS TV News broadcast of 5/9. (I'm getting a transcript, I think)

It would thus appear that both the withholding and the release of these papers were for political reasons only and not in accord with regulations and practise.

In addition, perhaps Ron can find special use for this.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg